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MIDDLESEX MAN SENTENCED TO 80 MONTHS IN PRISON FOR POSSESSION OF CHILD PORNOGRAPHY

TRENTON, N.J. – A Dunellen, New Jersey man was sentenced today to 80 months in prison for possession of child pornography, United States Attorney Paul J. Fishman announced.

Louis J. Borino, 48, pleaded guilty in May 2010 to an Information before U.S. District Judge Garrett E. Brown, who also imposed the sentence today in Trenton federal court.

Borino was originally arrested on a criminal Complaint by inspectors with the United States Postal Inspection Service. At his plea hearing, Borino admitted that he possessed and stored more than 600 images and videos containing child pornography on two computers and more than 100 CDs and DVDs in his home. The images portrayed individuals less than 18 years old engaged in sexually explicit conduct, including numerous minors under the age of 12. The images also portrayed sadistic or masochistic conduct or other depictions of violence.

According to statements made in Trenton federal court, Borino possessed at least 340 videos and 12,500 still images. Per the advisory United States Sentencing Guidelines, each video containing child pornography is considered the equivalent of 75 images – meaning Borino possessed a total of at least 38,000 criminal images of child pornography.

In addition to the prison term, Judge Brown sentenced Borino to five years of supervised release and ordered him to pay a \$5,000 fine.

U.S. Attorney Fishman credited postal inspectors with the United States Postal Inspection Service, under the direction of Inspector in Charge David Collins with the investigation leading to today's sentence.

The government is represented by Assistant U.S. Attorney André M. Espinosa of the U.S. Attorney's Office Criminal Division in Newark.

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